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My Dear Students:

This year the Religious Bulletin comes to you in new dress. As its outward form is far improved over past issues, I am sure you will find its contents so much more interesting and edifying. I urgently commend the Religious Bulletin to all students and importune them to make it the great spiritual aid it can be if it is thoughtfully read and its counsels followed.

Respectfully,

Aloys Dirksen, C.P.P.S.

MONTH OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY

Recognizing Mary's sublime position as the Mother of God, and the vital role she has played in man's Redemption, the Church has ever been alert to foster and promote her devotion. During the month of October, the Church directs all Christians to honor Mary under the beautiful title, "Queen of the Most Holy Rosary." The inspiring lives of the saints emphasize the power of the Rosary. St. Dominic found the Rosary to be his most effective weapon against the Albigensians who threatened both the religious and political unity of France; St. Clement Hofbauer employed the Rosary as a key to open the hearts of hardened sinners.

It is the express will of our reigning Pontiff, Pius XII, that all Christians unite in prayer during this month of the Rosary for the intention of World Peace. The marked increase of attendance at Mass and reception of Holy Communion has been a source of edification. The College freshmen have given a splendid example. May they and all the members of the College Department cooperate in making the month of October fruitful in graces for themselves and for the College.

SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

Masses

Sundays and Feast Days:

Low Masses—6:15—6:45—10:00 (Academy)

High Mass—8:15 (College Department)

Week-days: Masses 6:15-6:45 A. M.

Confessions

Thursdays-Saturdays—6:30 P. M.

Daily (except Sundays)—6:45 A. M.

Benedictions

Sundays and Feast Days—6:00 P. M.

Week-days—6:30 P. M.

October Devotions

Tuesday and Friday evenings—Rosary and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.

(All are urged to attend these devotions)

“THE BEAUTY AND POWER THEREOF”

“Yes, our students by the thousands pour from our colleges every year. They get fine jobs. *A Verdict* BUT, they’re not happy! As students they had to read every sort of book on history, economics, philosophy and religion. And they had to read these books without a standard to judge them by. The result? Fine educated pagans who now wander about in utter confusion. So they miss everything in life, *all the beauty and power thereof.*”

Such was the studied verdict of a leading professor in one of the nation’s great universities. He was at a loss to solve the problem. Deeply had he considered the new system now on trial at St. John’s College, Annapolis, Md.; deeply had he pondered over the list of the world’s great books given by Mortimer Adler in his “How to Read a Book.” But he, too, was looking for that standard.

Yes, our students by the hundreds graduate from our Catholic Colleges. If they do not *The Answer* get fine jobs, they are disappointed, but they are fundamentally happy. They are happy in life, because they *do* have the truth, “the beauty and power thereof.” They have a STANDARD.

God is truth—beauty—goodness. The Infinite came down from Heaven to clear the fog *The Standard* of human thought. He taught His doctrines of radiant truth and sublime beauty in language and symbols that are themselves supremely beautiful. Where doubt had been, He kindled faith; where hate and gloom had reigned, He infused love and hope, and He brought charity, the theme of Christianity, and chastity, its charm. A new civilization was born. The Latin people spoke of the “*joie de vivre*,” and England was “Merry England, Our Lady’s Dowry.”

Forward went the standard of Christ. Drama came into Christian literature in the mystery and morality plays; poetry was in the Arthurian lore, in the sublimity of Dante’s “Inferno” and in Tasso’s “Jerusalem Delivered;” entertainment and beauty was in the hearts and songs of the troubadours; and the high, certain authority of Christ, His Standard, rested in the successor of St. Peter.

Then came tragedy. Wealth, luxury and the discovery of the pagan classics stalked into *Came Tragedy* this merry world. The pen established a new world: Voltaire, Rousseau and their kin wrote endlessly and ruthlessly; modern phil-

osophers ushered in doubt and despair; poets like Shelly and Byron heralded the dawn of a new freedom that would release men from "awe, worship and degree."

All this while the Church was on the defensive; she was beseiged. Then God raised up Newman to lead a new crusade.

Out of the Siege Thompson became "the poet of the return God;" Chesterton followed, flashing his flying sword, and Belloc bombed historic citadels. Under their banner, which is Christ's, are marching many younger talents: Dawson, Hollis, Noyes, W. T. Walsh, Sister Madeleva, Kaye-Smith, Duggan, Claudel, Undset and many others.

We Catholic students have an awful task before us. Our heritage awaits us, and the call has been sounded. We must join that crusade now. Later, we may have no time. We must not only *read* Catholic literature, old and new, but *study* it endlessly. If we Catholic college men do not lead, who will? We are the salt of the earth. We are God's favorites.

NEWS SUMMARY

Kansas City, Mo.—According to the Most Rev. Edwin V. O'Hara, Bishop of Kansas City and Chairman of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, more than one-half million copies of the revised edition of the New Testament have been sold since the Confraternity edition was released in June.

Orders continue to flow in and sales promotion will be stressed throughout the nation.

Buffalo, N.Y.—Protestant, Catholic and Jewish representatives conferred with members of the public school department here to arrange "released time" of one hour per week for religious education. The plan got under way September 29.

Orange, N. J.—The man who invented the half-tone engraving process, which revolutionized the printing industry is dead. Stephen H. Horgan, inventor, was buried from the Church of Our Lady of the Valley. A Requiem High Mass was sung for the repose of his soul.

New York, N. Y.—Since American troops landed on the newly acquired naval base in Iceland the Catholic population has grown to a figure surpassing any since the so-called Reformation.

Before the occupation by Marines and the United States Army Regulars, the Catholic population of the island-nation was listed as 300. There are now well over one thousand.